IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE 1635 JUL 1 0 2002 Art Unit: In re Application of: Stephen J. VESPER Serial No.: 09/866,793 Confirmation No.: 5682 Examiner: SHAHANA-SHAH Washington, DIECH CENTER 1600/2900 Filed: May 30, 2001 For: METHODS FOR ISOLATING... Atty.'s Docket: VESPER1 0 8 2002 THE COMMISSIONER OF PATENTS AND TRADEMARK Date: July 8, 2002 Washington, D.C. 20231 Sir: Transmitted herewith is an [XX] Amendment [] _in the above-identified application. [] Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted. A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. [XX] No additional fee is required. The fee has been calculated as shown below: (Col. 1) (Col. 2) (Col. 3) Small Entity Other Than a Small Entity Claims Highest No. Present Rate Additional Rate Additional Remaining Previously Extra Fee Fee After Paid For Amendment Tota Minus 20 0 x 9 \$ \$ 1 Ind. Minus O x42 s x84 s Fir esentation of Multiple Dependent Claim 140 \$ +280 \$ Т ′ ADDITIONAL CLAIMS FEE s s the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3. the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space. the "Highest Number Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space. "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col.1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed. [XX] Conditional Petition for Extension of Time If any extension of time for a response is required applicant requests that this be considered a petiti [] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by RECEIVED 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below: Small Entity Other Than Small Entity Response Filed Within Response Filed Within [] First - \$ 55.00 - \$ 110.00] First Second - \$200.00 Second - \$ 400.00 ſ TECH CENTER 1600/2900 Third - \$460.00 - \$ 920.00 1 ſ 1 Third Fourth - \$720.00 Fourth - \$1440.00 ĺ 1 [] Less fees (\$) already paid for months extension of time on [] Please charge my Deposit Account No. 02-4035 in the amount of \$_____. A duplicate copy of this sheet [] A check in the amount of \$ is attached (check no. [] Credit Card Payment Form, PTO-2038, authorizing payment in the amount of \$is attached. [XX] The Commissioner is hereby authorized and requested to charge any additional fees which may be required in connection

with this application or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-4035. This authorization and request is not limited to payment of all fees associated with this communication, including any Extension of time fee, not covered by check or specific authorization, but is also intended to include all fees for the presentation of extra claims under 37 CFR Section 1.16 and all patent processing fees under 37 CFR Section 1.17 throughout the prosecution of the case. This b authorization does not include patent issue fees under 37 CFR Section 1.18.

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